

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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ERNESTO ROLON,

Plaintiff,

-against-

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

20-CV-5109 (VEC)

ORDER

VALERIE CAPRONI, United States District Judge:

WHEREAS Plaintiff has moved for attorney's fees pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 406(b) for legal services that resulted in an award of back Social Security benefits to Plaintiff from the Social Security Administration, *see* Dkts. 21, 23;

WHEREAS Plaintiff's counsel agreed to a contingency fee of 25 percent of any back benefits awarded to Plaintiff by the Social Security Administration, *see* Dkt. 23 ¶ 2 & Ex. A;

WHEREAS Plaintiff was awarded \$23,068 total back disability benefits, *see id.* ¶ 8 & Ex. B;

WHEREAS 25 percent of Plaintiff's awarded benefits is \$5,767, *see id.* ¶ 10;

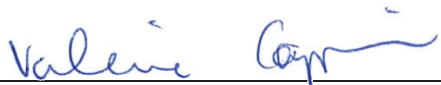
WHEREAS Plaintiff's counsel provided 13.4 hours of legal services, yielding an hourly rate of \$430, *see id.* ¶¶ 1, 11; and

WHEREAS the Government defers to the Court to determine the reasonableness of the requested fee, *see* Dkt. 24 at 2;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiff's motion for attorney's fees in the amount of \$5,767 is granted pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 406(b).

**SO ORDERED.**

**Date: February 10, 2022**  
**New York, New York**

  
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**VALERIE CAPRONI**  
**United States District Judge**